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1. The figures below list the railroad traffic in the Russian occupied zones of Germany during 1946 and 1947.

a. Car loadings

1946 1947
(in 1000 cars)

Total number of cars loaded	3,785.1	4,093.3
for German economy	3,196.1	3,696.3
for Russian occupation army	749	397

Comment: The discrepancy in the above figures is due to the fact that in some cases the axles, and not the cars, were recorded.

Freight handled:	Coal	1,680.6	1,805.9
	Wood	67.6	194.9
	Building materials	117.5	208.1
	Liquid fuel	62.2	37.5
	Chemicals		64.6
	Fertilizer	125.6	175.8
	Seeds	6.2	7.0
	Potatoes and vegetables	92.4	89.2
	Sugar	35.2	37.4
	Salt	24.3	34.1
	Vegetables		8.7
	Molasses		0.6
	Other food items & fodder	86	66.6
	Sugar beets	93.3	78.0
	Grain, flour	65.9	89.0
	Cattle	27.7	17.1
	Collective goods or produce		
	Meat products	452.1	422.3
	Breadstuffs	43	142.7
	Dry fruits, dried vegetables		
	Imports to USSR	200.4	79.7
	Sugar beets	411.2	377

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Total number of cars unloaded	3,573.3	4,052.3
b. Interzonal and foreign traffic:	(in 1000 cars)	
Number of incoming cars	412.7	429.5
from British zone	254.5	296.7
American zone	11.8	57.2
eastern border crossings	104.7	64.2
Czechoslovakia	41.7	10.5
Sweden		0.8
Denmark		0.7
Number of outgoing cars	600.9	608.1
to British zone	120.5	124.6
American zone	68.3	112.6
eastern border crossings	495.1	315.4
Czechoslovakia	15.9	52.5
Sweden		1
Denmark		2
2. Number of trains operated, July-December:	1946	1947
a. freight trains	469,379	404,082
b. passenger trains	403,437	353,989
3. Rolling stock		
a. Locomotives available as of 31 December	7,566	6,941
of these sidetracked	2,745	2,464
serviceable	4,821	4,477
actually in use	3,033	2,612
undergoing repair	1,788	1,865
b. Freight cars available as of 20 December	99,467	91,489
of these sidetracked	4,681	2,519
serviceable	94,786	88,970
actually in use	80,421	80,866
undergoing repair	14,365	8,104

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